

## Week Ending: February 20, 2016

## **Disease Surveillance & Risk Report**

No Report No Activity Sporadic Local Regional Widespread Severe

**DEFINTION** of Influenza-like or Flu-Like Ilness: (ILI):

1) Fever > 100°F measured with a thermometer AND (2) Cough AND/OR sore throat in the absence of a known cause other than influenza

### **Madison County Flu Activity (Week 8)**

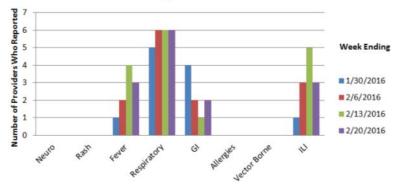
### Flu Activity for the week ending 2/13/16: Local

- <u>Lab-confirmed flu</u>:
   One lab confirmed Flu Type A reported during week 8.
   The season total to date is: 9 Flu (1 Flu Type A/B, and 8)
  - Flu Type A).
- County workforce\*:
   No flu-like illness (ILI) was reported
- Madison-Oneida BOCES School District\*: No report this week due to holiday break
- College Health Centers\*: ILI was reported
- Primary Care Providers\*: ILI was reported
- New York State Hospital Report (HERDS):
   No flu related hospitalized reported this season to date.
- <u>Flu-Associated Pediatric Deaths</u>: No reports this season to date.

## Madison County Disease Surveillance Updates, 2/14/15-2/20/16 (Week 8)

- <u>Communicable Diseases Reported to the Health Department</u>: 5 Chlamydia, 2 new chronic Hepatitis C, and 1 suspected Pertussis
- <u>Primary Care Providers Reported\*:</u> Respiratory illness, fever, gastrointestinal illness (GI), influenza-like illness (ILI), ear infections, and respiratory syncytial virus (RSV), see chart below.
- <u>Hospital Weekly Surveillance\*</u>: Fever, respiratory illness, influenza-like illness, flu and respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) was reported
- <u>Syndromic Surveillance in Emergency Departments:</u> *Oneida Healthcare* reported mild-moderate signals for rash
- College Health Centers\*:
   Respiratory illness, fever,
   gastrointestinal illness (GI),
   and influenza-like illness (ILI)
   was reported
- Medicaid Over-the-Counter (OTC) & Script Medication Alerts—1/27/16 to 2/5/16: Mild to moderate signals for influenza (antiviral) agents

## Weekly Symptoms Reported Among Primary Care Providers



\*Information denoted with an asterisk is subjective and provided on a voluntary basis.

As of February 11, 2016, the NYS Dept. of Health Commissioner has declared influenza as prevalent in NYS, putting into effect Section 2.59 of the New York State Sanitary Code (10 NYCRR § 2.59) requiring all health care and residential facilities and agencies regulated pursuant to Article 28, 36, or 40 of the Public Health Law to ensure that all personnel, as defined in the regulation, not vaccinated against influenza for the current influenza season wear a surgical or procedure mask while in areas where patients or residents are typically present.

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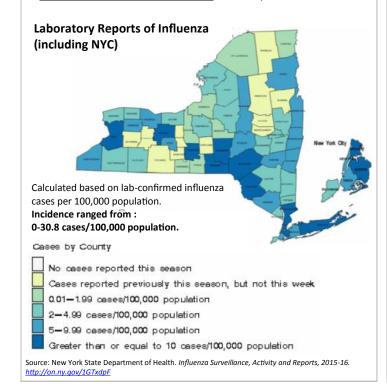
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## **New York State Flu Activity**

#### Flu Activity for the week ending 2/13/16: Widespread

- <u>Lab-Confirmed Flu:</u> 1,734 reports, a 66% *increase* over last week. Flu was reported in 51 counties.
- <u>Flu-Related Hospitalizations:</u> 305 reports, a 29% increase over last week.
- A select group of providers ("sentinel providers") across the state (outside of NYC) reported the percentage of office visits due to complaints of flu-like illness (ILI) was 3.88%; this is an increase from last week and is above the regional baseline of 2.3%.
- Flu-Associated Pediatric Deaths: None reported to date.



## **United States Flu Activity**

#### Flu Activity for the week ending 2/13/16 (week 6): Regional

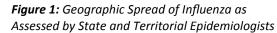
#### **Geographic Flu Activity Summary:**

- Widespread influenza activity was reported by Puerto Rico and 12 states
- Regional influenza activity was reported by 20 states
- Local influenza activity was reported by the District of Columbia, Guam and 15 states
- Sporadic influenza activity was reported by the U.S. Virgin Islands and three states

#### Surveillance Summary:

Flu activity increased in the U.S.

- 6.9% of all deaths reported through the 122
   Cities Mortality Reporting System were attributed to pneumonia and flu; this is below the epidemic threshold of 7.3% for week 6.
- Outpatient illness visits reported through the U.S. ILI Network was 3.1%, this percentage is *above* the national baseline of 2.1%. Nine of 10 regions in the U.S. reported flulike illness *at or above* their regionspecific baselines.
- Two flu-associated pediatric deaths were reported during week 6. A total of 13 f lu-associated pediatric deaths have been reported this season to date.



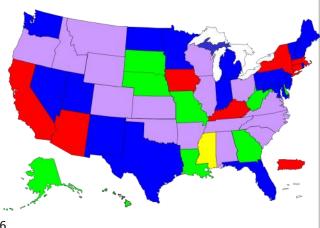


Figure. 2: Confirmed Flu by Flu Type

Age Group Distribution of Influenza Positive Specimens Reported by Public Health Laboratories, National Summary, 2015-16 Season

